

THE COAL ROADS

Interstate Commerce Commissioners Receive Amended Complaint Against Presidents of Those Corporations.

CONSPIRACY IS CHARGED.

Operators Accused of Being in League Secretly with the Roads to Keep Up Cost of Fuel and Its Transportation.

Having matters of other importance demanding their attention in this city to-day, Chairman Martin Knapp and Commissioner James D. Yeoman, of the Interstate Commerce Commission, received the amended complaint calling upon the Commission to proceed against the presidents of the coal-carrying railroads for violation of the Interstate Commerce laws.

Chills Methods Iniquitous.

Before presenting it, Lawyer Clarence D. Shearn, representing the petitioners, declared that outrageous violations of the Interstate Commerce law on the part of the coal-carrying roads are permitted and practically countenanced. He added that the recent coal situation had brought these matters squarely before the public and revealed the iniquitous methods adopted by the roads. He said that the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad as well as nine other coal-carrying roads, were guilty of three substantive violations of the Interstate Commerce laws. He pointed out that for many years the coal-carrying roads have without excuse, "flagrantly, flagrantly and openly" charged from two and a half to three times as much for the transportation of anthracite coal than is charged for bituminous. This charge exceeds vastly, he said, the cost of transporting any other character of freight.

Operators and Roads Combine.

"The greatest argument which the operators put forth in resisting the demands of the miners," said Mr. Shearn, "was the statement that they were forced to pay a high rate for coal transportation. It is a fact, however," added the lawyer, "that the operators and the railroads are hand in glove in the affair and that they have combined for the purpose of keeping up the cost of coal and transportation."

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GIRL SLEEPER AWAKE AT LAST.

After a Slumber Lasting Thirteen Days Dr. Arthur Bradshaw Succeeds in Arousing Nellie Corcoran.

SAYS SHE WILL RECOVER.

Not Surprised When She Opens Her Eyes in Hospital—Recognized Surroundings and Had Heard of Rip Van Winkle.

Nellie Corcoran, the young woman who has been asleep in St. Vincent's Hospital for thirteen days, awoke this morning and talked with her physicians and nurses.

Old Method Succeeds.

To Dr. Arthur Bradshaw, an expert on hypnotism and mesmerism, belongs the credit of having brought her back to consciousness. He worked with her for more than an hour this morning, after having abandoned a longer effort the night before.

His method was an old but simple one. He repeatedly compressed the girl's tongue and moved her lower jaw backward and forward in such a way as to move the spinal column. Altogether this was kept up three hours and a half, and there was a faint sign of returning consciousness. At first there was a slight quiver of the eyelids and then the lips seemed to move slightly. A moment later the girl opened her eyes wide and looked directly at Dr. Baldwin, who was assisting Dr. Bradshaw.

She made no effort to speak, but continued to gaze at the doctor. She seemed not to be surprised in the least. There was nothing to indicate that she was aware of her condition.

Dr. Baldwin Suddenly Leaned Over Her and Said: "Hello!"

There was no response. The eyes remained fixed upon him without a change of expression. Then he said: "Do you see me?"

"Yes," came the answer in a whisper that was almost inaudible.

"Do you know who I am?"

"Yes," still in the faintest of whispers.

"What is the date of your birth?"

"August 31."

There was no hesitation and the voice grew slightly stronger.

"Do you feel any pain?" was the next query.

"Yes, in my head."

"Are you sick?"

"Yes, all over." Then she suddenly added, "And I do want to go home."

"Do you remember what happened to you on Oct. 13?"

"Do you know Mrs. Hansen?"

"Yes, I know Mrs. Hansen very well."

Wasn't a Bit Hungry.

At this moment Dr. Bradshaw took the patient's hand.

"Do you feel as though you would like to eat, Nellie?" he asked.

"No, just as I want to rest."

She closed her eyes and turned her head wearily to one side. Her breathing came in short, shallow sobs.

She moved her hands twice and then seemed to rest more easily. It was easy to see that she was conscious.

Dr. Bradshaw said to an Evening World reporter:

"I live and I am confident that she will not relapse into a condition of coma. She is now in a normal state, but not so much as one would imagine under the circumstances. Just what her trouble has been I am not prepared to say."

The doctor would not discuss hypnosis, but it was plain that he leaned to that theory.

After her daughter was aroused Mrs. Mary Corcoran was notified. She fell upon her knees at once and prayed earnestly.

Then she said: "I thank God! I did not believe that Nellie would ever get well. Her father will be the happiest man in town when he hears it."

Knew Absolutely Nothing.

After Miss Corcoran had rested for an hour or more Dr. Bradshaw questioned her again, wishing to learn if she had at any time during the period of her long sleep been conscious of anything that had passed about her or of any of the various forms of treatment she was being subjected to. The girl said that she knew nothing during her sleep; had felt nothing.

Just a few moments before awakening she had a slight movement of the head and the upper part of her face, and this Dr. Bradshaw stated was due to the condition of production emanation, which was passed and compressed, thus forcing respiration. After the application of heat and cold completed the treatment.

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PHYSICIANS WATCHING NELLIE CORCORAN AS SHE AWAKENS IN ST. VINCENT'S HOSPITAL.



FRAUD CHARGE AGAINST BIG MEN

Lawyer Asserts that Cuba Company, Headed by Sir William Van Horne, Used a Fraudulent Affidavit in Suit.

SIGNED WITH ASSUMED NAME

(Special to The Evening World.)

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Nov. 1.—Application was made to Justice Keogh in the Supreme Court to-day by Howard Mansfield, representing the Cuba Company, which is backed by millions of dollars to build a railroad 200 miles long in Cuba, to set aside the verdict secured against the company by Peter McLaurin, of Mount Vernon, who alleged that stock should have been issued for his services.

The application to set aside the verdict was made on an affidavit of Charles A. Johnson, who alleged that no agreement about stock had been made between the company and McLaurin.

Then George Covington, of No. 125 Broadway, counsel for McLaurin, explained a bombshell. He said to Justice Keogh that he had affidavit to prove that the real name of the person making the affidavit was not Johnson, and that the paper was fraudulent. He mentioned the alleged real name of the person who signed the affidavit, and said he was under indictment for embezzlement, and for that reason had changed his name.

Mr. Covington asserted that Sir William Van Horne, of Canada, president of the Cuba company, knew that when Johnson signed the paper he was signing it under an assumed name.

Among the backers of the company, in addition to Sir William Van Horne, are J. Pierpont Morgan, William C. Whitney, John D. Rockefeller and William Rockefeller. It was stipulated before the trial that the one share of stock in dispute was valued at about \$5,000. The jury then rendered a verdict for that amount, and the judgment was entered in the County Court.

Justice Keogh took the case under advisement.

Another Strike Now Threatened.

Coal Miners Resent Discharge of Weigh - Watchers—Men Take Another Holiday.

WILKESBARRE, Nov. 1.—It is All Saints' Day and only one kind of the miners were working. The operators made a point of this, that notwithstanding the great demand for coal the workers had remained away from work two days this week. The holiday practically put a stop to any detailed investigation by the Commissioners. They went into the Dorrance mine, but found no miners in the Baltimore vein which they visited.

On Monday they will get to Hazleton, where two days will be spent owing to the strike conditions, 9,000 being out. Then will follow trips to the Panther Creek region, Pottsville and Mahanoy City.

President Mitchell has not decided to present his report. With three attorneys, he is preparing it, and will submit it formally some day next week. Whether the Commission will make it public has not been decided. The report will be a detailed presentation of each one of the demands, but probably will not be more than a couple of typewritten pages.

The two thousand mine workers at the Kingston Coal Company mines this morning sent a committee to the company officials, threatening a strike unless two check weighmen who were discharged last night are reinstated. The men were employed and paid by the mine workers to watch the weighing of coal.

The company gave no reason for laying them off.

ONLY MAN WHO EVER BEAT DEWEY IS DEAD

Z. K. Pangborn, Famous Because He Whipped Admiral at School, Dies at Milburn.

ENJOYS TRAMPING THE TIES.

(Special to The Evening World.)

MANASSAS, Va., Nov. 1.—In the fitful glare of locomotive lanterns President Roosevelt at 4:30 this morning stepped briefly from his private car in the railroad yard here and greeted cordially the little group of newspaper men, special officers and railroad men who had gathered to see him start on his hunt for wild turkeys. He was attired in a khaki shooting suit, with leggings. Over this was a long, heavy overcoat, and the customary black slouch hat was on his head as he alighted from the car.

A servant handed to him a fine double-barreled shotgun, which he threw familiarly into the crook of his left arm. Secretary Root, who preceded the President from the train, insisted that he should either do the work or be punished.

"I'll not do it," Dewey's reply came down in history. "And if you try to lick me, I'll lick you."

Mr. Pangborn started to chastise the boy. Dewey fought vigorously. The teacher triumphed after a hard fought battle, and the crestfallen Dewey was forced to do what he had declared he would not do.

Mr. Pangborn is survived by a widow and two sons.

Host Straub Dead After Merry Time

Restaurateur Known to Politicians Collapsed at Close of Jolly Reunion with Friends.

John L. Straub, whose restaurant was for years the resort of east side politicians, died suddenly at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Sparling, No. 882 Lexington avenue, early to-day. He collapsed after spending an evening with a number of old friends who had been invited to his daughter's home, and died before a doctor could reach him.

For years Straub owned a restaurant on Canal street, between Allen and Eldridge. When John J. O'Brien was mighty in east side politics Straub's place was the headquarters for the politicians, and many schemes have been laid around the tables of the restaurant.

Mr. Straub invented the steam table for restaurants and also the steam chafing dish. The two inventions brought him a fortune. Ten or twelve years ago he gave up his business on the east side and removed to No. 200 East One Hundred and sixteenth street, where he had run a restaurant on a smaller plan.

Although sixty-two years old, Mr. Straub was strong and active, and his death had not been anticipated. He spent the evening in apparently his usual health, and laughed and joked with his daughter until after midnight. When the company had gone Mr. Straub suddenly fell and sank to the sofa. Dr. Van Ingen was summoned, but when the physician reached the house the man was dead.

COL. ROEBLING IS SINKING.

Col. Washington A. Roebbling, the builder of the Brooklyn Bridge, is in a serious condition at the Roosevelt Hospital. He was operated on recently for callosities contracted years ago. Early this morning the patient was reported worse. Little hope is entertained for his recovery.

Do Wet Off for South Africa.

LONDON, Nov. 1.—Gen. De Wet started from London this morning for South Africa. He was heartily cheered by those who had gathered to see him.

PRESIDENT AT MANASSAS.

Roosevelt Seeks Wild Turkeys and Recreation on the Historic Southern Battle Ground of Bull Run.

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